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Unit 3 End of Unit Performance Task: **DUE on Friday, January 13 (A Day); Tuesday, January 17 (B Day)**

**“A Trip to the Mall”**

**G-Create a legal memorandum based off of an IRAC completed using your client’s facts. Students will use a class wiki space to complete their case research to locate types of authority and explain the role that each would play in your case.**

* The performance task will include the following testing issues:

1. Students will use a computer assisted legal research service (Westlaw created Wiki Space) to find statutory and judicial support related to the above claim.
2. Students will also use The Code of Virginia website to locate the correct code that corresponds with this case.
3. Students will draft and submit a properly formatted legal memorandum.

**R- You are a paralegal working for Weigl & Associates.**

**A-Senior Partner, Iknow Itall**

**S- Anna has requested that your law firm represent her in filing a lawsuit against Aristotle Clothing Company. The issue is whether the shopper can successfully file a claim for false imprisonment.**

**P-** **Students will create a legal memorandum addressing whether an adult shopper is suspected of shoplifting in a clothing store.**  **S- see rubric on the back of this page**

Anna, a resident of Nowhere, Virginia, is a regular customer at various stores in Bigbucks Mall on Main Street, which is comprised of a group of large national chains of name brand stores. One Tuesday afternoon, Anna went to Bigbucks Mall for new clothes at Aristotle Clothing Co., for an upcoming job interview. While talking on the phone to her best friend, Anna looks at and picks up pairs of socks on the shelf at her eye level. Several times, she reaches into her large handbag that she has placed on the shelf next to her to get a tissue and cough drops. She also continues to pick up pairs of socks to examine them.

Burt, Aristotle Clothing Co. Store Manager, is alone behind the counter. He has been

watching Anna’s movements. When Anna brings a sweater to the register to purchase, Burt asks her to step in the back office with him and to bring her handbag. Puzzled, Anna follows him. Burt closes the door to the office and asks Anna to open her handbag. She protests, but then

opens her handbag. Burt looks through Anna’s handbag. Burt asks Anna why she kept

reaching into the handbag while she looked at the pairs of socks. Anna is insulted by what

Burt is implying. Coughing and blowing her nose, she refuses to answer Burt’s question,

and demands an apology. Burt refuses to apologize. Anna exclaims that Aristotle Clothing Co. is a heartless corporation that should be ashamed of itself, and accuses Aristotle Clothing Co. of many offenses, from poor customer service to exploitation of foreign labor markets. After they

argue about Aristotle Clothing Co.’s business practices for an hour and a half, Anna asks to leave. Burt says he must call the Regional Manager before he can let her go. Fifteen minutes later, Regional Manager Paul arrived and quickly let Anna leave.